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A NEW ANARRHICHADOID FISH.

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In order to enable a fuller examination of the comparative characters of the genera Anarrhichas and Lycichthys to be made, a poorly preserved specimen of the latter, supposed to be the L. latifrons, was sent to be skeletonized. A comparison of the characters with those of L. latifrons and L. denticulatus, however, indicate it to be an undescribed species which may be called Lycichthys paucidens. The vomerine teeth are confined to the front and there are only 5 teeth remaining, 3 forming a triangle in front and 2 in a cross row behind. (There are sockets for 4 others.) The teeth of the dentaries are mostly uniserial (9 or 10 on each side) but in an outer row are 2 or 3 more on each side. All the teeth are subacute and well separated as in the other species of Lycichthys.

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The specimen was obtained from Banqureau near Nova Scotia and will be deposited in the United States National Museum.